BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF ROCKY MOUNTAIN POWER FOR AUTHORITY TO DECREASE THE CUSTOMER EFFICIENCY SERVICES RATE

CASE NO. PAC-E-12-11 NOTICE OF APPLICATION ORDER NO. 32577

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on May 30, 2012, PacifiCorp dba Rocky Mountain Power filed an Application requesting authority to reduce its customer efficiency services rate (Schedule 191). Currently the Schedule 191 rate is 3.4% and produces annual revenues of approximately \$5.7 million. The Company requests authority to decrease the rate to 2.1%, to generate approximately \$3.5 million per year. The Company believes the rate reduction is appropriate to align the Company's recovery of costs associated with future demand-side management (DSM) related expenditures, and requests the new rate be effective July 1, 2012.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company asserts that although its DSM balance account was in deficit by approximately \$1 million as of April 30, 2012, the Company expects it will begin to over collect on the Energy Efficiency Rider beginning August 2012. The Company's Application provides a summary review of each of its DSM programs along with expected levels of funding in the near term. The Company does not propose to modify or decrease any of its DSM activities as part of this Application. The Company states that it "will continue to review funding needs on a routine basis to determine whether this proposed adjustment is sufficient to fund ongoing program expenses and continue to recover the remaining balance owed the Company in the DSM balancing account." Application, p. 5.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that because there is inadequate time to complete a process prior to the Company's proposed effective date for the new rate, the Commission will suspend the proposed effective date of July 1, 2012, and issue a Notice of Application. The Company requested that its Application be processed by Modified Procedure, and the Commission expects to issue a Notice of Modified Procedure in June to complete the process for the case. YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Application and supporting workpapers, testimonies and exhibits have been filed with the Commission and are available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Commission offices. The Application and testimonies are also available on the Commission's web site at <u>www.puc.idaho.gov</u> by clicking on "File Room" and then "Electric Cases."

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this case will be held pursuant to the Commission's jurisdiction under Title 61 of the Idaho Code and specifically *Idaho Code* §§ 61-501, 61-502, and 61-503. The Commission may enter any final Order consistent with its authority under Title 61.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this matter will be conducted pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.000 *et seq*.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission finds it appropriate to suspend the proposed effective date of July 1, 2012, for a period of thirty (30) days plus five (5) months, or until such time as the Commission may issue an Order accepting, rejecting or modifying the Application in this matter.

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IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the proposed rates in this case are suspended for a period of thirty (30) days plus five (5) months from the proposed effective date of July 1, 2012, or until such time as the Commission may issue an Order accepting, rejecting or modifying the Application in this matter.

DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 19^{+1} day of June 2012.

PAUL KJEL LANDER, PRESIDENT

MACK A. REDFORD, COMMISSIONER

MARSHA H. SMITH, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

Jean D. Jewell Commission Secretary

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